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**Amador Wines and All That Jazz!**

Amador County's Wine & Jazz Jubilee pairs fine wines with great tunes

**Plymouth, Amador County, California, April 20, 2009** . . . Amador County's historic wine country will be swinging big-time on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup> during the Second Annual Wine & Jazz Jubilee, featuring well-known jazz bands serenading wine lovers in the heart of the sun-drenched Sierra Foothills Gold County. Co-sponsored by the Traditional Jazz Society of Sacramento, Sacramento Magazine and Capitol Public Radio, the event is the official kickoff for the world-famous Sacramento Jazz Festival, the largest jazz celebration of its kind in the western U.S. Now in its 36<sup>th</sup> year, the Sacramento Jazz Festival will feature over 60 bands performing at 23 different venues during the Memorial Day Weekend. (For more information, visit <http://www.sacjazz.com>.)

Amador's Wine & Jazz Jubilee takes place on May 17<sup>th</sup> at four Amador County wineries: Bantam Cellars, Deaver Vineyards, Sobon Estate and Terra D'Oro/Montevina. Beginning at noon, Deaver Vineyards will host Sister Swing, a female vocal trio specializing in the swing standards of the 1930 and '40s. At 2 p.m., Terra D'Oro/Montevina Winery presents the Catsnjammer Jazz Band, a purveyor for over 30 years of fine traditional jazz. At 4 p.m., Bantam Cellars features renowned jazz pianist Jim Martinez, while Mick Martin and the Blues Rockers rock the house at Sobon Estate.

Tickets for the Wine & Jazz Jubilee, which include a commemorative wine glass, entry to all performances and wine tasting at each venue, are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door on the day of the event. Attendees are encouraged to bring a picnic basket and blanket to keep themselves fortified throughout a great day of music in the vineyards. Tickets are available online at [www.amadorwine.com](http://www.amadorwine.com) through May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**More on Amador County**

Amador County is one of California's oldest premium grape-growing regions, dating back to the early days of the Gold Rush. Many of the prospectors were European immigrants who planted grapevines upon their arrival. Some of these old vines survive today and produce the intense zinfandels for which the region is renowned. Amador wineries also make superb wines made from Italian and Rhône Valley varieties, which, like the region's fabled zinfandels, offer wine lovers tremendous quality and value. The region's wineries are small, family-owned and operated operations known for their gracious hospitality. They offer visitors an intimate view of wine country often unavailable in the more heavily trafficked wine valleys of the North Coast.

**Amador County Vintners:** Amador Cellars, Amador Foothill, Avio, Bantam Cellars, Bray, C.G. DiArie, Charles Spinetta, Convergence, Cooper, Deaver, Dillian, Dobra Zemlja, Domaine de la Terre Rouge/Easton Wines, Drytown, Il Gioiello, Jeff Runquist Wines, Karly, Karmere, Montevina, Nine Gables, Nua Dair, Renwood, Shenandoah, Sobon, Stonehouse, Story, Sutter Ridge, TKC, Vino Noceto, Wilderotter.